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## TOP K.G.B. MAN IN DUBLIN

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**B** RITISH and Irish security officials are disturbed over the presence in Dublin of Vladimir Kozlov, ostensibly the correspondent of the official Soviet News Agency, Tass.

All Tass men may well be members of the K.G.B. but Kozlov is someone special. He is a member of the notorious Department V of the K.G.B., which is responsible for assassination and sabotage.

Its secrets were told to the West in 1971 by the defection in London of Oleg Lyalin, who was one of its agents. It has been responsible for the murder and kidnapping of opponents of the Soviet regime — including the assassination of Trotsky — and for attempting to stir up rebellion in Mexico.

Wherever there is trouble in the world, there are agents of Department V. Security officials in Ireland are amazed at the effrontery of the Russians in sending Kozlov so soon after the re-establishment of relations between Eire and the Soviet Union.

### BARBED-WIRE WREATH

Since the Russians took up residence last year, protesters have left a barbed-wire wreath at the front door and the wall the Russians built round their compound had a hole blown in it — it was two feet higher than the law allowed.

The Russians have already sent arms to the Provisional I.R.A. terrorists through Czechoslovakia. The previous Tass correspondent, Yuri Ustimenko, had regular dealings with Michael O'Riordan, secretary general of the Irish Communist party.

Now it is feared that Kozlov is in touch with the so-called Irish National Liberation Army, which is emerging as the militant wing of the Irish Republican Socialist party.

### BREAKAWAY GROUP

The I.R.S.P. run by Seamus Costello, formerly adjutant general of the official I.R.A., and Mrs. Bernadette McAliskey, formerly Bernadette Devlin, broke away from the Officials because they thought that they were neither militant nor Marxist enough.

They deny that they have a military wing but acknowledge that they have accepted "protection" from armed groups in their violent struggle with the Officials.

These groups now make up the "Liberation Army" which two weeks ago sent out a manifesto to diplomatic missions in London, declaring its aim "of ending British Imperialist rule in Ireland and creating a 32-county Democratic Socialist Republic".